



Site: Ebling Building
Location: 337 Diamond Avenue SE , Grand Rapids
Historic District: Fairmount Square Historic District
Owner: David and Barbara Huyser
Original Use: Vacant/Commercial
Current/Future Use: Mixed-Use/Rental Residential
Completed: 2004
SHPO Contact: Bryan Lijewski, Architectural Coordinator
Type Of Project: State Tax Credit Project

Project Description: David and Barbara Huyser knew they found a gem on Diamond Avenue when they decided to rehabilitate the Ebling Building. What they, perhaps, didn't know was that their experience with this building would lead to so many other historic preservation projects.

Although the Ebling Building restoration provided them with the desire, ambition, and know-how, it did not provide them with one essential asset: time. The Huysers spend their days in the classrooms of Grand Rapids Public Schools, and as any teacher knows, work doesn't always end with the ring of the bell.

In their free time David and Barbara turned a vacant, former blacksmith shop, into a mixed-use, rental residential/commercial building that serves as the flagship of their various rehabilitation projects throughout the Fairmount Square Historic District.

For their hard work, perseverance, and dedication, Governor Granholm awarded the Huysers with a 2005 Governor's Award for Historic Preservation.

Rehabilitation Investment: **\$119,800**
 Total Project Investment: **\$119,800**
 Tax Credit Available: **\$29,950**
 Jobs Created (Direct & Indirect): **3.0**

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